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Testimony of SUZANNE D. CASE Chairperson

Before the Senate Committees on AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT and WATER AND LAND

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## In consideration of HOUSE BILL 1028, HOUSE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO THE ENDANGERED SPECIES TRUST FUND

House Bill 1028, House Draft 1 expands the type of revenue that can be deposited into the Endangered Species Trust Fund. The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) strongly supports this Administration measure.

Under Section 195D-31(a)(3), Hawaii Revised Statutes, only fees and assessments charged for the "commercial" use of public land and waters designated for the Endangered Species Trust Fund are deposited into that fund. Certain other types of revenues, such as parking fees, would not qualify.

By repealing the word "commercial," the bill seeks to expand the type of revenue that the Department could charge to create additional revenue for endangered species protection. This could provide multiple opportunities for the Department to find innovative funding mechanisms.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

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### Comments:

Dear Honorable Committee Members:

Please support HB1028. Hawaii is known as the "endangered species capital of the world" and we must therefore take measures to do what we can to protect all these species that are endangered.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my testimony.

Andrea Quinn

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